

CHESS Senior High Driver Policy

As we move into a new school year, the issue of teen drivers has been on our hearts and minds. It's a blessing and exciting to have another driver in the house, but also can be frightening to think about the added responsibility on that teen's plate. Here at CHESS, we want to help you keep to those standards set for your family regarding teen drivers. In an effort to do that, we've developed a policy for teen drivers at CHESS.

When teens choose to come and go from the CHESS property throughout the day, we need to know that in the office. If there were an emergency or evacuation, we need to be able to account for all of the students under our authority.

- * For this reason, we are requiring that any teen driver who needs to leave and return to CHESS throughout the day come to the office to sign out. Plan to leave a phone number for emergency contact while you are gone from the property.

- * Upon returning to CHESS, they must come to the CHESS office to sign back in.

- * If they are taking any passengers with them, we also need the names of those students.

- * We have developed a permission form for you, the parent, and your students to sign, stating whether they are or are not allowed to leave the property throughout the day. On the form, we have also included an area for you to designate whether your driver is allowed to have non-family passengers, or ride with non-family members.

- * **All** teens will need to have one of these forms on file in the office.

- * If we are made aware of any students that are leaving the property without following this policy, we will follow our disciplinary procedure, as outlined in the Student Handbook.

We urge you to discuss this with your students before the start of the school year. Sign the attached document together. We'll be collecting them outside the office on the first day of CHESS, along with the medical release and parent/student contracts.

Thanks for partnering with us to help make CHESS a safer environment for all of our students!

We welcome any questions or comments you may have.

